



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1733**

PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 7040.0041.00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Renato CARETTA)
Application Serial No. 09/364,099) Group Art Unit: 1733
Filed: July 30, 1999) Examiner: Knable, G.
For: CARCASS STRUCTURE FOR)
TYRES AND TYRE HAVING THE)
CARCASS STRUCTURE)

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to reply to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2003. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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